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TOURISM
LOK SABHA

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ACCOMMODATION TO VISITORS OF COMMONWEATH GAMES
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the number of visitors expected during the Commonwealth games, 2010, domestic and foreign visitors separately;

(b) whether adequate arrangements have been/are being made to provide accommodation to these visitors;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefore; and

(d) the alternative arrangements planned by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (KUMARI SELJA)

(a): Around 90,000 visitors visited Melbourne during the 2006 Commonwealth Games and around one lakh visitors are expected for the Commonwealth Games, Delhi 2010.

(b) (c) & (d): The Ministry of Tourism has assessed that approximately 40,000 rooms would be required in the National Capital Region of Delhi to meet the demand of the visitors coming for the Commonwealth Games, Delhi, 2010. The Ministry of Tourism is coordinating with various land owning agencies viz. Delhi Development Authority (DDA) and the Governments of Uttar Pradesh and Haryana for expeditious completion of the ongoing new hotel projects for the Games. Additionally, it is proposed to use 'Bed & Breakfast' establishments and DDA housing Flats located at Vasant Kunj and Jasola, which would be furnished and operated by India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) for the Games. A 'Task Force' has been constituted in the Ministry of Tourism to monitor the position of accommodation for the Games on a regular basis.